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# RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

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Sir:

In response to the Notification to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 10, 2007, enclosed herewith are the following documents.

1. COPY OF Notification to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures.

#### 2. TRANSMITTAL OF SEQUENCE LISTING INCLUDING:

- a. Statements Under 37 C.F.R. 1.821(f) and (g), including statement specifically directing entry of the sequence listing into the application.
- b. Paper Copy of the Sequence Listing (285 pages).
- c. Compact Disk Containing CRF Copy of Sequence Listing (1 CD).
- 3. RETURN RECEIPT POSTCARD.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication and which may be required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 03-1664.

Respectfully submitted,

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The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

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# **Notice to Comply**

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## NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE **DISCLOSURES**

Applicant must file the items indicated below within the time period set the Office action to which the Notice

is attached to avoid abandonment under 35 U.S.C. § 133 (extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)).
The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):
1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998).
2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
4. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. However, the content of the computer readable form does not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.822 and/1.823, as indicated on the attached copy of the marked -up "Raw Sequence Listing."
5. The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damage and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A Substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d).
6. The paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" is not the same as the computer readable from of the "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
7. Other:
Applicant Must Provide:  ☑ An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing".
An initial or substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment specifically directing its entry into the application.
A statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and, who applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e) or 1.821(f) or 1.821(g) or 1.825(b) 1.825(d).
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The communication filed on 6-7-07 is not fully responsive for the reason(s) set forth herein.

Since the response appears to be <u>bona fide</u>, but through an apparent oversight or inadvertence failed to provide a complete response, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to the examiner, Patricia A. Duffy, Ph.D., Technology Center 1600, Group 1640, Art Unit 1645, whose telephone number is (571) 272-0855. The examiner can normally be reached on weekdays from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. If unable to reach the examiner, Shanon Foley, SPE, can be contacted at (571) 272-0898.

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Primary Examiner